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**Response to Office Action**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action issued by Examiner Standley on December 20, 2004, Applicants request reconsideration of the above-referenced patent application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Please amend the application as follows: